REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, in light of the preceding amendments and following remarks, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-7, 11, 13 and 22-31 are pending in this application. Claim 1 is amended, and claims 23-31 have been newly added. Claims 1 and 23 are the independent claims.

Applicants respectfully note that the present action does not indicate that the claim to foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 has been acknowledged or that certified copies of all priority documents have been received by the U.S.P.T.O.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner's next communication include an indication as to the claim to foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 and an acknowledgement of receipt of the certified copies of all priority documents.

Interview Summary

Applicants thank the Examiner for granting the telephone interview conducted on April 27, 2009 with Applicant's representative Erin G. Hoffman, Reg. No.57,752. During the interview, general differences between the Akoi reference and the present application were discussed. The Examiner indicated further amendments to claim 1 that clarifies the condensation catalyst generator includes (at least in part) a photobase generator would be helpful. The Examiner tentatively agreed that amending the claims as

requested would overcome the current rejection. Applicants submit the claim amendments shown in the preceding section of this amendment were prepared consistent with the Examiner's suggestions and thus, are believed to overcome the current rejections as detailed below.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-13 and 22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lyu et al. (US 6,623,711, hereinafter "Lyu") in view of Akoi et al. (US 5,700,899, hereinafter "Akoi"). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection for the reasons detailed below.

On page 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner admits that Lyu does not disclose a condensation catalyst generator in the composition, and relies on the teachings of Aoki for this feature of claim 1. Applicants respectfully disagree.

The Examiner has not pointed out (nor can Applicants find) where Aoki teaches or suggests that the condensation catalyst generator is a photobase generator capable of generating a base by light exposure or heating, the photobase generator being a compound represented by Formula 8 listed above and as recited in amended independent claim 1.

The Applicants, therefore, respectfully request that the rejection to Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) be withdrawn.

Claims 2-9, 11-13 and 22, dependent on independent claim 1, are

patentable for the reasons stated above with respect to claim 1 as well as for their own merits.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection to independent claim 1 and all claims dependent thereon.

New Claims

By the present Amendment, Applicants submit that claims 23-31 have been added. Support for new claims 23-31 can be found at least in the Specification as originally filed, in particular, original claims 1-22. As such, Applicants submit that no new matter has been added.

Applicants further submit that newly added claims 23-31 are patentable for similar reasons as those stated above, e.g., the Examiner has not pointed out (nor can Applicants find) where Aoki teaches or suggests that a condensation catalyst generator includes a photoacid generator and photobase generator capable of generating an acid and base by light exposure or heating, the photoacid generator being at least one compound selected from the group consisting of compounds represented by the Formulae 5 to 7 listed above, and the photobase generator being a compound represented by Formula 8 listed above and as recited in independent claim 23. Claims 24-31, dependent on independent claim 23, are patentable for the reasons stated above with respect to claim 23 as well as for their own merits.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the above remarks and amendments, the Applicants respectfully submit that each of the pending objections and rejections has been addressed and overcome, placing the present application in condition for allowance. A notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Erin G. Hoffman, Reg. No. 57,752, at the telephone number of the undersigned below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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